

## **NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation**

**Web Posting: 06/04/2015**

**Deadline for Comment: 07/04/2015**

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection (the Division) gives notice that an application for renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the **Nick Claims Project**, a mining and beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division in Carson City. The applicant for renewal of Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV0095104** (Permit) is:

**Natchez Resources, LLC**  
**P.O. Box 7023**  
**South Lake Tahoe, CA 96158**

The facility is located on public land in Pershing County, within Section 30, Township 33 North, Range 37 East, Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, approximately 11 miles east of the town of Mill City, Nevada.

The Project consists of a placer mine and a physical separation beneficiation facility, pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.414, designed to extract gold from placer ore excavated on site, with a maximum permitted production rate of 300,000 tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of the surface mine area, a gravity processing plant, and two water supply wells. Facilities are required to be designed, constructed, operated, and closed without any discharge or release in excess of those standards established in regulation except for meteorological events which exceed the design storm event. It is estimated that the facility will disturb approximately 15 acres of public land.

The Administrator is constrained to either issue the renewal Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the renewal Permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the Permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to NAC Chapter 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery or US Postal Service, or by facsimile or e-mail transmittal (with the original to be received within five (5) days of transmittal date), no later than 5:00 PM on the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the date of publication of this notice (submittal end date 04 July 2015) to:

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation  
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001  
Carson City, NV 89701-5249

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding the Permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The draft Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 445A.665. For more information, contact Joe Sawyer at (775) 687-9406 or visit the Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation website at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm>.